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WHO CAN MAKE PEACE?

With the situation in Italy nearing the stage when an acceptance of the "unconditional surrender" demand may be forthcoming, it is interesting to note the helplessness of our State Department in negotiating peace terms with a foreign power. Our constitution provides that the United States must approve any treaty with a foreign government. The sad experience of the Wilson administration at the end of World War One, with the Senate refusing to approve the Wilson peace treaty, is a skeleton in our departmental closet.

Any peace treaty arranged by our administration with Italy will be opposed, and violently, in the U. S. Senate. Perhaps the greatest opposition will come from malcontent Democratic Senators.

Considerable bargaining has to be done at all peace conferences. About the best that administration could make would be to put representative U. S. Senators on our peace commission. At any rate something should be planned to attempt to head off a repetition of the tragic events following Wilson's return from the last peace conference.

Virginia is spending about three times as much for alcoholic beverages as for schools. We spend, in peace times, more for roads than we spend for schools. And of what we do spend on schools, too high a percentage is on institutions of higher learning in proportion to expenditures for elementary and secondary education.

Our fair State ranks high in its roads. It ranks high in its cash surpluses. We have excellent government agencies. But we rank very low in educational statistics. Sooner or later the citizens of the Old Dominion will demand a revolution in our handling of the whole problem of education. With tens of thousands of physically fit young men being rejected for military service for failure to meet educational requirements and with school attendance alarmingly low, we are laying the foundation for another generation of illiteracy.

Our Governor has suggested that we will need an army of 600 state highway troopers to patrol our roads. What would you say, Governor, to an army of 600 to enforce our laws for school attendance? In our opinion, it is more important to see that every boy and girl, white and Negro, in Virginia is literate, than to have an army of patrolmen on our roads, as necessary and admittedly important as is the latter.

Virginia should make available every possible dollar for purposes of education. Then, of the sum declared available, see to it that each child in the state attends school from the age of six through fourteen at the best possible grade schools, high schools and vocational schools, in modern buildings, with no teacher receiving less than one hundred dollars a month, and specialists receiving salaries in line with what they could receive in industry. Then, if there is any money left over, appropriations could be made to our institutions of higher learning. What a fight the state colleges might put off if anybody dared touch their fat appropriations! Yet, our first duty is to abolish illiteracy, to give every boy and girl a good elementary and secondary education. Our present appropriations for education are out of democratic proportion.

We believe that we can have BOTH: good state colleges and good elementary and secondary systems.

NAZI EARS CLOSED TO BAD NEWS

From Baltimore Sun

In describing the reactions of the German people to the fall of Mussolini, Mr. Murray Leslie, our correspondent in Bern, mentions one fact which seems to throw a significant light on the German state of mind. Many Germans, it is stated, when they heard the news of the official radio, believed that they must have picked up a "black" transmitter. Apparently they were accustomed to hearing only news of victories, or of events which are represented as such, from official sources, that when the government informed them of an occurrence with other implications they could not believe their own ears.

Axis prisoners captured in Tunisia showed in a similar manner how deeply they had been affected by official propaganda. They spoke of Italy as if it were a matter of course that the Germans would shortly reconquer North Africa. Some of them who were brought to New York asked to be shown the most bombed parts of the city and refused to believe that Axis raiders had never crossed the Atlantic.

Such incidents may seem trivial, but they serve to reveal the psychological barriers which totalitarian methods have created between the peoples of the Axis and the remainder of the world. Indoctrinated for ten years by Dr. Goebbels into the belief in German superiority over all other peoples the Germans even yet cannot accept the possibility of reverses. When they finally hear the news not merely of the fall of Mussolini but of Allied victory will they still refuse to believe their ears? And by what methods after the war can the effect of this Nazi indoctrination be counteracted?

OLD-FASHIONED IN HIS THINKING

From Roanoke Times

Henry Ford who celebrated his 80th birthday recently, believes the best way for a young fellow to get ahead is to forget all about money and profits and concentrate on producing something that "really helps people." The octogenarian Detroit manufacturer, the author of whose career reads like an Horatio Alger success story, began life as an obscure mechanic. Today his $28,000,000, most of which was borrowed capital, and more in 1943 than 100 times whose assets today are estimated to exceed $800,000,000.

He is the man who put America on wheels and transformed the nation's habits and way of living. If there hadn't been a Henry Ford, there might never have been an automobile age.

But this fabulously wealthy man, who has worked hard all his life and at 80 has gone back into harness, owing to the present death of his only son, Edsel Ford, insists that in the vast Ford enterprises "we never made money our main object." Instead, it was regarded as "one of the tools, one of the raw materials, one of the by-products of business." In Mr. Ford's opinion, "money is just a part of a practical life—a necessary thing in getting goods—and it is no good for anything else." He elaborates on the theme thus: "Young Americans should know that there are two ways of doing business. One makes money its master, the other makes money its servant. For forty years the latter has been my style of business and I think it will be the only style of business that will succeed in the future."

On the subject of industry—and surely he ought to know something about that since he happens to be the foremost industrialist of the present age—Mr. Ford would probably be considered hopelessly old-fashioned by the smart young theorists of the New Deal. He is firmly convinced that only industry can "abolish poverty" and "give the only social security human beings can know—the security of their state to produce what they need."

It isn't surprising, in view of the foregoing, to learn that Mr. Ford believes that "anything that hinders industry is harmful to the American ideal." The smart young theorists of the New Deal won't like that, we are afraid. But most men who have come up the hard way—as Henry Ford did—are not apt to dissent.

"A business," Mr. Ford contends, "is never a good business until it does equally well for the public, its employees and itself." When all of us get around to thinking that most of our so-called labor troubles will become a thing of the past.

MESSINA

Last Sicilian city to be taken from the Bourbons, Messina is about to be taken by the United Nations. Kronos gave the town its earliest name, changed to Messene in the fifth century B. C. Poseidon, the Earth Shaker, has illustrated that characteristic by earthquake after earthquake, the worst in 1908.

In the Piazza del Duomo is a copy of the colossal fountain, now in the city museum, that used to stand near the harbor. The god of the sea is commanding Scylla and Charybdis to cease their rage. If Messina begins in mythology, her range in history is too long to follow. Her actual founders are said to have been pirates from Cumae. One curious episode in her record was her capture by a gang of Campanian, worshippers of Mars, who killed all the male inhabitants and took their wives and goods. Richard Lion Heart, angry as usual, sacked the town. Don John of Austria and Lepanto was welcomed there and is remembered by a statue. By bombarding Messina in 1848 Ferdinand II, King of the Two Sicilies, got the nickname of "King Bomba." Garibaldi had a triumphal entry in 1860.

The curved harbor, hills, mountains, s rails make Messina one of the loveliest of cities. Who that saw the palazzata, that splendid cafron', before the earthquake can forget it?

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Lesson for August 15

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GOD PROVIDES FOR HIS PEOPLE

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 16:11-16; 17:3-6.
GOLDEN TEXT—Give us this day our daily bread.—Matthew 6:11.

Only God can provide the necessities of life. Rationing has taught us that lesson anew if we have been at all thoughtful about it. The plan is one of sharing. Sharing what? The food and other provisions which come to us from God's hand. Unless our crops are good there will be less to share. Only God can help us.

This was the lesson Israel learned in the wilderness. To reach the land which God was leading them they must pass through the wilderness. Not only would there be many weary miles to travel, but there were privations to be borne. Life is like that.

Now they cried for food. Note how elemental are man's needs in the final analysis—bread and water! The very things we take almost for granted as we concern ourselves with life's weighty interests and profound problems become, if lacking, the only things that have any real meaning. And who is it that can provide them? No one but God Himself.

I. Bread from Heaven (Exod. 16: 11-18).

Israel's longing for meat was met by the miraculous coming of quantities of quail (v. 13). But that was not the food to sustain them day after day. For this they needed bread, and it came from heaven, every day until they entered the promised land (Josh. 5:12).

Observe four things about the manna.

First, it was a divine provision. There are responsibilities in life which we must assume. But that was—but in the ultimate meeting of our real needs we must look to God.

Secondly, it was a daily provision. What foreboded folk many of us are, and no doubt rightly so, for God puts no premium on improvidence. But once again we must recognize, as did Israel in receiving the daily manna in the wilderness, that our existence is a moment by moment existence.

We plan bravely for the next decade or the next generation, but as a matter of fact it can only come to pass "if the Lord will" (read James 5:13-17).

Next, it was a limited provision—enough for the day and no more, except for a double portion on the sixth day, and none at all on the Sabbath. These provisions were made clear to Israel, and yet there were those who attempted to lay up for the morrow, and some even went out to seek manna on the Sabbath day.

We marvel at their stubborn obtuseness, but are we not often just like them? Some there are who are always expecting that the laws of both God and man should be set aside for them, but they come to grief.

Finally, it called for diligence and action on their part. They had to be out early each day (except the Sabbath) to gather it. God's mercies are for those who are willing to obey Him. He gives to those who receive by active faith.

II. Water from the Rock (Exod. 17:3-6).

"And the people thirsted"—for the daily manna was not enough, they must have water. Needy, yes, constantly needy are God's children.

"Every life knows the bite of necessity . . . every soul cries out in pain because there is wanting some completing favor, some culminating and all-contenting benediction. Here it is bread; there it is water; but everywhere a famine . . . in many a case a famine of soul, a spiritual destitution, a consciousness of a void which time cannot satisfy or space content."

God always provides. There is a rock in the wilderness. But what pleasure does a murmuring people find in a rock when they famish for water? It is God's delightful custom to meet our needs in unexpected ways and by means which we do not understand. Even our physical necessities come from unthought of sources.

III. Christ, the Bread and Water of Life.

Our lesson does not give the New Testament application of Israel's experiences, but let us not miss that blessed spiritual truth.

In John 6:31-35, Christ is declared to be the true bread from heaven, of which the manna was but a type.

Paul speaks in I Corinthians 10: 1-4 of this incident in the history of Israel, saying that they "did all eat the same spiritual meat, and did all drink the same spiritual drink; for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ" (see also John 4:14).

Hungry and thirsty soul, you who are still unsatisfied after tasting all that life apart from Christ has to offer, will you not, just now, take Him?

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Lights of New York

By L. L. STEVENSON

Meanderings and Meditations: A little colored bootblack on a side street just off Broadway, playing "Night and Day" on a harmonica and doing it as well as collects far more nickels and dimes than do his companions who merely make shoes glisten . . . A stately young woman, either an actress or a model, standing in front of a window mirror and doing a little work with an eyebrow pencil . . . A tottering mendicant extending a grimy paw and begging for "some change" to help him get his laundry out so he can go to work . . . College lads attracting a lot of attention in Times square in some kind of an initiation stunt in which victims are bareleggedd and have ropes about their necks . . . Two soldiers who look as if they had never been in the city before, apparently getting a kick out of the never-ending Broadway streams of humanity.

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A stalwart sailor leaving a mighty pretty girl standing at 50th street while he hurries up to another sailor, evidently a shipmate, and makes a quick $5 touch . . . and with the fiver safely stowed away, hastily returns to the girl and apparently they are going places . . . An old actor, apparently down and out, seemingly resting while touring the agencies, frowning as two young Thespians give vent to their opinions of the stage of the past . . . He looks as if he were about to put in a few words for the defense but shakes his head and goes on his way . . . A big delivery truck causing a Broadway traffic snarl by stopping to make collections at 46th street . . . Taxi drivers seeming to be mightily annoyed but the motorman of a trolley car merely leans back and relaxes as the city employees go about their business unhurriedly.

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Soldiers, sailors and marines massed about the Father Duffy statue . . . Not a military formation, just a bunch of lads waiting for their dates . . . Could be to get one . . . A big advertising clock announcing an hour that has passed but recently an hour and a half previously . . . That cigaret smoking will be resumed by the smart young men now . . . Expecting a Times square air raid? . . . Four Chinese lads in the uniform of the British army . . . and bearing themselves as if extremely proud of their attire . . . Out-of-towners getting a kick out of putting nickels into slots in an automat.

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A 42nd street sandwich man stopping to adjust his boards . . . and voicing complaints because the makers don't take any thought for the comfort of those who wear them . . . Two pert little misses admiring a new handbag . . . and lamenting because they have used their coupons . . . and in the same block, a handsome, stalwart, redheaded young soldier making his way slowly on crutches because he has sacrificed a leg for his country . . . A Giant and a Dodger fan engaging in such a hot argument over the merits of their teams that a cop finally orders them to pipe down . . . and as the bluecoat starts on his way, he remarks to a companion, "The Yanks are the only team worth bothering about, anyway"

Youngsters inspecting a display of unrationed items in a sporting goods store window.

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A Crosstown trolley motorman hopping out to help a crippled man board the car . . . An act all the more courteous because the motorman is far from being young . . . Bryant Park bench sitters catching up on their reading, some with their noses buried in newspapers and others in books they have borrowed from the nearby public library . . . Sunbeams playing with the chromium cap of the Empire State building tower . . . Bundle-laden women shoppers treading subway steps as gingerly as if their feet were glass . . . Wonder what's become of those salesmen who used to peddle woolens allegedly smuggled into this country . . . A group of Indians in full regalia padding along as if they were a scalping party . . . But they are merely selling war bonds.

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Ollo: The Mexican government is about to launch an extensive campaign to attract American workers south of the border for their vacations . . . Miguelito Valdez, Afro-Cuban song star, dislikes signing autograph books. The reason: His full name is Eugenio Lazaro Miguel Izquierzo Valdezy Herandez . . . Brenda Forbes, Blue Angel comedienne, who has played the part of housemaid to Greer Garson, Katharine Cornell and Orson Welles in stage and screen productions, throws a yearly party for her own maid who is her severest critic.

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

Hotels Tell Guests To Make Own Beds

CHICAGO.—Because of a maid shortage, thousands of permanent guests at more than 150 Chicago hotels have a new weekly task. The management advised them they would have to make their own beds and tidy their own rooms—on Sundays only.

Managers said there was little complaint.

Personals

Miss Helen Faye Torrence, Mr. and Mrs. David Harris, of Lynchburg and Glenna Lee Burford, of Roanoke were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Torrence.

Mrs. Minnie Richardson spent the week with Mrs. Alvin Hamilton.

Mrs. Emma Nowlin is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Torrence and Bobby Burford recently visited in Roanoke.

Miss Emma Johnston returned to her home Sunday after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Carmack, of Newport News.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Almond spent the week-end with his brother-in-law in Raleigh, N. C.

Miss Rachel Guill has returned home after spending her vacation at Saxon Rouge, La.

Those visiting in the home of W. D. Bailess Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rush, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McFaden and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Bailess and family and Mrs. Goodman.

W. D. Bailess had the misfortune to break a blood vessel in his leg this week.

Mrs. Wesley Jarrell spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Jarrell.

Pvt and Mrs Shearer Robertson visited in the home of H. A. Torrence Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Morris.

Don Moses, Jr., having hurt several fingers, was home on sick leave the first days this week.

Mrs. Louise Hall spent Sunday with Mrs. E. O. Jarrell.

Circle No. 3 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Memorial Methodist Church met with Mrs. W. W. Godsey August 2. A picnic supper was greatly enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Rosa L. Carter spent the week-end in Richmond.

Mrs. Lucille Morris spent last week in the home of Mrs. J. D. Morris.

Mrs. Hunter Dickerson and Mrs. Fred Martin spent the week-end in Washington.

Miss Avis Lucado spent the week end with Miss Virginia Bingham.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ford spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Misses Betty Lee Cobbs and Margie Bingham, of Richmond visited in the home of Mrs. J. A. Bingham over the week-end.

Mrs. Houston Crowder and son, of Lynchburg are spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harvey.

Miss Bebe Crouch and Winston Musser, of Roanoke, spent Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Ferrell.

Miss Dorothy Ould, of Norfolk, is visiting her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Ould.

Oscar Scheffler, of Norfolk spent several days this week at his home near here.

Berkley Drinkard left Tuesday for Williamsburg, where he will visit his daughter.

Miss Gertrude Ranson spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Jimmy Conner, of Crystal Hill was a guest in the home of Mrs. W. P. Gills Sunday.

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Flood and W. M. Abbitt spent several days of last week in Roanoke, where they attended the annual meeting of the State Bar Association.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodson, Mrs. Eola Wooldridge, Harry Bush and Miss Thacker, of Covington and Miss Barbara Smith, of Oakville, spent the week-end in the home of Mrs S. C. Ranson, of Route One.

Mrs. Alley Gills and two children and her mother, Mrs. Wood, of Lynchburg and Mrs. L. B. Pittman of Richmond will spend the week-end in the home of Mrs. W. P. Ferrell.

Friends are sorry to hear of the illness of T. E. Owen, who is a patient at the Virginia Baptist Hospital, Lynchburg.

W. P. Bocock is a patient at the Southside Hospital, Farmville.

Miss Myrtle Smith is spending his week in Lynchburg.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Thompson, of West Point, were luncheon guests Tuesday of Mr and Mrs. L. E. Smith.

Mrs. E. C. Green, Jr, and children are spending the month of August in New Jersey.

Miss Marguerite Gillisim is improving from a recent illness.

L. E. Morris, of Norfolk is expected Sunday, to spend ten days with his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hancock and Odell Howerton left today for Cincinnati, Ohio to attend a convention of rural mail carriers as delegates from the state organization.

The Appomattox Garden Club will sponsor a lawn party on the school grounds Saturday evening, August 14.

Otey Ingo, of Lynchburg is visiting his sister, Mrs. Eva Cawthorn.

Friends are glad to learn that J. N. Caldwell is improving from a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Coving or of Lynchburg spent the week end with relatives in the county.

E. H. Cawthorn has returned from the hospital.

Miss Kate O'Brien, who has been teaching in Farmville for the past session, will arrive Saturday to spend some time at her home near here.

Miss Nancy Ward, of Tazewell, Va. was a guest of Miss Alice Harwood the past week.

Mrs. H. G. Johnson, of Lynchburg spent Monday with her sister Mrs. Calvin Robinson, en route to Portsmouth to spend the rest of the week with Mrs. G. L. Doss.

Mrs. C. D Staples and daughter, Patricia, of Richmond are visiting her mother, Mrs. James B. Abbitt.

Miss Mildred Christian will leave September 12 for Tallahassee, Florida, where she will be student dietician in the Woman's College. Her sister, Miss Catherine Christian will be a student at the same school.

Booker Bunch, of Lynchburg was a guest of Miss Mildred Christian Wednesday.

Mrs. H. B. West has returned to her home here after spending a month with relatives in Ashville, N. C.

Miss Joyce Christian is visiting Miss Jean Stratton, of Bedford.

Miss Kate Franklin will leave next week to visit her brother, Dr. James H. Franklin, in Chester, Pa.

Miss Catherine Christian is spending this week in Richmond.

C. J. S. McKee, III, of Black Mountain, N. C., is visiting in the Burke home here.

The Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight at 6:45.

Rev. and Mrs. O. G. Burnett and family, of Nathalie were visitors in Appomattox this week.

Miss Caroline Smith will spend the week-end in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Walker Garrett, who underwent an operation in a Lynchburg hospital, is reported in a satisfactory condition.

Miss "Trouble" Robertson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ben F. Moomaw, of Blacksburg.

Mrs. Leslie Turnes left Sunday for Rustburg after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Otis Smith.

Jack Davis was home several days this week.

Revival services will begin at Liberty Baptist Church Sunday.

Father Darklcaf

Another word should come into general usage. It is the verb "to perm." It should not be necessary for the ladies to have to say, "Are you getting a permanent wave?," "Are you getting permed?" should suffice. Likewise, "I was permed last week."

Overheard by Mother Brightleaf . . . a local youngster came home from Sunday School last Sunday, and was questioned rather closely by his mother as to what Bible verses he had learned. They could not get together on the wording of the verses, whereupon the lad aptly said: "Mother, if you went to Sunday School you might learn something."

Alarmed by the prolonged dry weather and its potential damage to crops, I have been tempted all morning to set a strenuous headline and might gather that we were referring to the merits of Father Darkleaf's literary efforts.

Seeking an "angle" for a paragraph on Dr. Havilan Babcock's display of no less than five farm bells at the hotel, Cother night, we sought out and read Edgar Allen Poe's famous poem . . . but with no luck. Then it occured that Dr. Babcock himself had given the "angle" that the five bells should be tolled all night on the night of the end of the war. Perhaps we can organize a club of pledgees to report at the hotel immediately upon the news that the war is over, and toll he bells until dawn.

An intimate sketch on Harry Hopkins came to our attention recently, and was so human that we, at long last, decided that he was a "regular guy." He does not wear garters. He "slouches" and he goes for common sense instead of diplomatic fol de rol.

The English have what is called the Womens Land Army (WLA) to solve the farm labor problem. One sweet young thing from the city was assigned to milking, her first day on the farm. She reported that she thought she'd soon get onto milking a cow if they would let her begin with a calf

We are barely able to report that a very largely attended convention was held in Appomattox last night. It was a convention of dogs! From volume of noise raised, on into the night, it was quite an affair. Townspeople were bleary-eyed this morning. From a lack of their customary rest. Some of the stoutest barkers in the state vied for honors and it can be hoped that the affairs of the convention were concluded.

Victory Gardens to Float on Lake Latest

SPIRIT LAKE, IDAHO.—Now it's floating Victory gardens.

Arthur Veigutt, lacking sufficient topsoil at home, will convert his three landing docks at Spirit Lake into gardens. He plans to cover the docks with good black soil and plant his crops.

The gardens—he hopes—will absorb water from the lake, thus eliminating sprinkling.

Sells Wind at 'Ceiling' And Pays $75 an Ounce

LOS ANGELES.—Police Officer C. C. Bemis testified that when he bought a pound of sauerkraut at Manuel Goodman's delicatessen he received 14 ounces of kraut—and two ounces of wind from the ceiling fan above the scale. Goodman pleaded guilty to short weight charges and was fined $150.

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Cinchona Grove in Guatemala Godsend

New Source of Quinine for U. S. and Its Allies.

WASHINGTON. — Cinchona trees at El Porvenir, a 17,000-acre plantation on the slopes of an extinct volcano in western Guatemala, provide a fresh source of quinine for the United Nations.

It would be a dream come true for President Justo Rufino Barrios if he were alive today. He started the plantation some 60 years back in an effort to develop and diversify his country's economy.

But the Dutch in the East Indies grew cinchona more cheaply than President Barrios could, and El Porvenir—which means "the future"—grew rank and untended. The cinchona trees were being used for firewood and fence posts.

Then Japan captured the world's supply of quinine in the Dutch East Indies. Cinchona production for quinine became of great importance again in Latin America, where it originated.

El Porvenir is the largest single concentrated source of quinine known in the Western hemisphere. Aerial surveys indicate that it has enough cinchona trees to provide an estimated 25 per cent of our supply of quinine for the next few years.

The Guatemalan source is particularly handy because the bark can be shipped overland to the United States for processing.

Contracts have been signed through the Board of Economic Warfare with the Guatemalan government whereby the entire output becomes available to the United States.

Thousands of troops fighting in tropical areas where malaria is a constant threat, the needs for quinine are extensive.

Bunch of Bananas Puts Two Into Naval Service

PUEBLO, COLO.—This is a brief tale of a bunch of bananas and a brother and sister who wanted to join the navy so badly it hurt.

Elizabeth Weidenfeller, 20, and her 19-year-old brother, George, of Pueblo, both had burning ambitions to enlist in the navy—Elizabeth in the WAVES and George as a seaman. Trouble was Elizabeth was underweight and George's aunt would not give her consent to his enlistment.

George argued and pleaded until his aunt compromised. George could join, she said, if Elizabeth could pass the WAVES physical.

George and Elizabeth put their heads together. The WAVES' medices had told Elizabeth that all she needed was five more pounds and she could sign on the dotted line. Somewhere George had heard that bananas put on weight in short order . . . So almost overnight there was a banana shortage in Pueblo and soon Elizabeth topped the scales at 126 pounds—one pound more than the minimum WAVES requirement.

Today, although part Elizabeth can hardly look a banana in the face, both she and her brother are happily training at naval basic schools.

Has the Right Number And Finds It Pays Off

NEW YORK.—When Carl A. Carlson, 30, coast guard machinist's mate, sauntered into the Travelers Aid society servicemen's lounge in Pennsylvania station, he found a receiving line of welcomers waiting for him.

He cut a two-foot wide butter cake, distributed pieces to other servicemen, received a blue leather writing portfolio, tobacco and cigarettes from the society and two dozen roses.

The reason for the honors was that Carlson, who comes from Calumet, Mich., was the 1,000,000th serviceman to visit the lounge.

Miss Emma Johnston spent last week in Norfolk.

The county board of supervisors met Wednesday.

We understand that a group of soldiers are encamped at Holliday Lake.

Soldiers' Brides Going To School in England

MONTREAL.—According to word from abroad, schools have been established throughout Great Britain for the thousands of young brides married to Canadian soldiers overseas.

One large brides' school has been set up in Brighton, where young wives and mothers may receive instruction on conditions in Canada so that they may adapt themselves more readily to life in the dominion when the war is over.

First Farm Tractor Tire Made From Shelled Corn

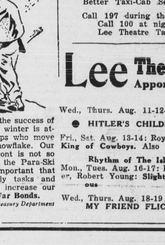
AKRON, OHIO. — The Firestone Tire company announced the manufacture of the first farm tractor tire made from shelled corn.

Officials said the tire was the first of a set to be given a severe test on the Firestone farms at Columbiana, Ohio.

Nearly 10 bushels of shelled corn were required to make the butadiene for the set of tires, all of the ground-grip variety.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS Pare-Ski Troopers

When will this war end? Nobody knows, so the Army is continuing its training of Para-Ski Troopers. They're parachute troops who know their way about on skis or any other place in snow covered mountainous country.



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Church School 10:00 A. M.
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Sermon subject "Outdoing the World."
Come, and welcome.
A. C. Lawson, pastor.

Rocks Baptist Church

Church School 10:00 A. M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A. M.
Sermon subject, "Counting the Cost."
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Liberty Baptist Church

Rev. H. Frederick Jones, Pastor

Revival services will begin Sunday at Liberty Baptist Church, the pastor, the Rev. H. Frederick Jones will preach. Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jefferson, of Lynchburg, will be song leader.

W. M. S. MEETINGS

W. M. S. Circles of Liberty Baptist Church will meet at the church on Wednesday next, August 18th, at 2:30 P. M. The business meeting will follow. The program will be presented by Mrs. C. S. Booth.

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Lottie Tanner, Marion Tanner, and three nieces, from Newport News, are visiting their aunt, Queeny Elliott, of Appomattox, Va.

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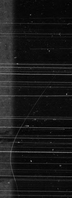

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